

- Larger number of dredgers in a reduced area may increase impacts on SAVs.
- C. Rotate dredge areas
- + Decreases the amount of habitat affected by dredging at one time
 - + Ability for closed portions of area to recover from harvest impacts
 - + Reduces impacts to juveniles
 - Larger number of dredgers in a reduced area could increase impacts on SAVs
- D. Eliminate all dredging
- + No further impacts by mechanical harvest gear on SAVs
 - + Fewer impacts from prop scarring
 - Increase in cold weather stress to older fishermen

VI. MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

MFC selected management strategy

- Recommend *status quo*, no change.

AC and DMF - Recommend *status quo*, no change.

VII. RESEARCH RECOMMENDATIONS

- Expand our understanding of bay scallop dredging on SAV condition and bay scallop recruitment.

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